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COMPANY RESPONSE TO SUPPLEMENTAL

STAFF REPORT REGARDING GRANITE

MOUNTAIN WATER COMPANY, INC.'S

REQUEST TO MODIFY DECISIONS

PURSUANT TO A.R.S. § 40-252

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REQUEST TO MODIFY DECISIONS

Herein is Granite Mountain Water Company, Inc ("Granite Mountain" or "Company") response to Staff's Supplemental Report submitted March 11th, 2013 in regards to the Company's request to modify two prior decisions under A.R.S. 40-252, consolidated by procedural order on February 5th, 2013.

Issue # 1 - Company never requested approval of financing in the amount of \$240,808.

And

Issue #2 – The Company currently has a standing legal agreement with Water Infrastructure Finance Authority ("WIFA") until August 15, 2013, and therefore, the new debt service coverage ("DSC") ratio of 1.50 is not applicable.

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The Company appreciates Staff's concession not to interfere with the agreement between the Company and WIFA. In review of the Supplemental Staff Report, WIFA asked the Company to reiterate the Company's request in the original 40-252 petition;

"to have the any unused authorization to incur long-term debt granted in the proceeding to terminate no sooner than June 1, 2014; and to have the compliance items listed in the Decision to be extended to comply with the Commission's ruling on the Request for an Extension of Time on Decision 72294."

Issue #3 - Company proposes its dates over Staff's recommended dates for AOC Compliance Filing.

In the Company's original 40-252 petition, the company requested an extension of time relative to four key expiration dates. These dates included;

- 1) Complete one of the following to address its inadequate storage capacity issue: (a) Drill a replacement well to replace its existing Well #5 (ADWR #55-622083), or (b) Construct and install a 110,000-gallons storage tank, or (c) Add a new production well by June 1, 2014,
- If addressing the inadequate storage capacity issue by drilling a replacement well or adding a new production well, file with the Commission's Docket Control, as a compliance item in this docket, copies of the Approval to Construct for the replacement well or the new production well by June 1, 2013.
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- 4) As mentioned previously; to have the any unused authorization to incur long-term debt granted in the proceeding to terminate no sooner than June 1, 2014.

The Company would like it noted that due to regulatory requirement including the time to process this 40-252 petition that the above requested expiration dates are quickly approaching. Particularly the Approval to Construct ("ATC") expiration date of June 1st, 2013. Upon completion of these proceedings the Company will do what is possible to file the Application for Approval to Construct and get the ATC from the Arizona Department of Environmental Quality ("ADEQ") by the expiration date. Although, based on ADEQ's Application Processing Times (http://www.azdeq.gov/environ/water/engineering/ltf.html) the review may take approximately 53-83 business days. This is also not considering the processing time of the Arizona Department of Water Resources ("ADWR").

Issue #4 - Engineering Information needed by Staff

Issue #5 - Engineering data on proposed well

Issue #6 - Company's engineering proposal

And

Issue #7 - Company's engineering proposal

The Company has adequate area at its tank facility to accommodate (1) 50,000 gallon water storage tank. This has been predesigned and will be located adjacent to Tank #2 (50,000 gallon water storage tank) that is already in service. According to the Company's well testing results, previously submitted, Well #6 (ADWR 55-210719) can produce 70 gallons per minute ("GPM") with 58 feet of draw down and 35 GPM with 13 feet of draw down. Currently the well, located within the Prescott AMA has a maximum allowable pumping capacity of 35 GPM. Although after purchase of the well the Company will seek approval from ADWR to increase the maximum allowable pumping capacity to meet Staff's water production requirements. Theoretically if the Company is approved to pump 45 GPM from the well, then in combination with the 50,000 gallon water storage tank the water production should be sufficient to meet Staff's requirements.

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Regarding Items #2, #3, #4, and #5 in the Supplemental Staff Report, the Company will not contest a set-aside amount of \$10.00 per customer per month in an interest bearing account in order to repay the indebtedness associated with the WIFA loan. The Company concurs and appreciates Staff's position that customer notification and an evidentiary hearing are not recommended, but will comply should the Commission and/or Administrative Law Judge deem either appropriate.

Respectfully submitted on the 5th of April, 2013 by:

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